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1. (Three Times Amended) A method comprising:

placing an incomplete chip package into a mold formed by a first portion and a second portion, the incomplete chip package comprising a chip and a substrate electrically coupled using a flip chip process, the mold having an upper inner surface [in] which [its entire length] is coated with release film, and the chip having (i) a top surface facing the substrate, (ii) a bottom surface opposite the top surface, the bottom surface butting against the upper inner surface, and (iii) one or more side surfaces between the top and bottom surfaces;

by mating [between a] the first portion [and] with the second portion, and the resin encapsulating a significant portion of the one or more side surfaces, and filling a first gap between the top surface and the adjacent substrate; and

curing the resin.

20. (Three Times Amended) A method comprising:

placing an incomplete flip chip package into a bottom inner cavity of a

bottom mold portion, the incomplete flip chip package comprising a

chip and a substrate, the chip having a top surface coupled by

reflowed solder bumps to an upper surface of the substrate, the

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mating an upper mold portion with the lower mold portion, the upper mold portion having an upper inner cavity, including an upper inner surface [in] which [its entire length] is coated with a release film, and the bottom surface of the chip butts against the upper inner surface, the upper and bottom inner cavities forming a mold inner cavity enclosing the incomplete flip chip package, and forming a runner between the upper and lower mold portions[,];

cavity through the runner, the liquid resin encapsulating substantially all or the one or more side surfaces and substantially all of the upper surface, the liquid resin further filling a gap between the top surface of the chip and an adjacent portion of the upper surface of the substrate, encapsulating the reflowed solder bumps; and

curing the liquid resin by maintaining the mold at an elevated temperature for a predetermined period of time, the elevated temperature being equal to or greater than the cure temperature of the filled liquid resin for the predetermined period of time.

35. (Cancelled)

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